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MEETING MINUTES: BOARD OF CHARITABLE GAMING

MEETING DATE AND TIME: Thursday, August 1, 2013 at 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Dover, Delaware

Conference Room C, second floor of the Cannon Building

APPROVED: September 5, 2013

#### **MEMBERS PRESENT**

Scott Angelucci, Public Member, Chairman
Janet Williams-Coger, Non-Profit Member, Vice Chair (arrived at 1:08 p.m.)
Sharon McDowell, Public Member
Francis Gant, DE Volunteer Fireman's Association Member
Tim Winstead, State Lottery Office Member

## **MEMBERS ABSENT**

# **DIVISION STAFF/DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL PRESENT**

Robert Willard, Deputy Attorney General Amanda McAtee, Administrative Specialist II Jean Betley, Lead Investigator

## **PUBLIC PRESENT**

Paul Womax, Indian River Yacht Club Bob Mooney, DE State Crime Stoppers

#### CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Angelucci called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

## **REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The Board reviewed the meeting minutes of July 2, 2013. Mr. Gant made a motion, seconded by Mr. Winstead, to approve the minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**Final Denials** 

## Association for Human Rights Defense International (hearing requested)

Ms. McAtee stated that a hearing was requested and recommended scheduling for the September meeting.

# Re-Review of Contingent Approvals and PTD Applications - none

**NEW BUSINESS** 

**Executive Session - none** 

# **Board Member Reports - none**

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## Delegation of Authority - none

# Review of Applications for Texas Hold'Em Tournaments - none

# Review of Applications for Charitable Gaming Events - none

# **Review of Applications for Instant Bingo Events**

Indian River Yacht Club

Mr. Angelucci reviewed and summarized the Instant Bingo application of the Indian River Yacht Club. Mr. Angelucci stated that the Indian River Yacht Club indicated on the application that their organization was a 501c7. Mr. Angelucci explained that the Board has had applications submitted in the past with organizations applying under a 501c7 status. Under the Board's statute the Board was not permitted to approve 501c7 applications as they were not non-profit charitable organizations as described under the statute. After discussion, Ms. McDowell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Winstead, to propose to deny the Instant Bingo application of the Indian River Yacht Club. The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Angelucci stated that if the Indian River Yacht Club was interested in raising money for charities that they could request that the IRS change their tax status to a 501c3. Mr. Womax questioned if the application fee could be refunded. Ms. McAtee stated that application fees were non-refundable and that information was printed on the Division's website and all application forms. Mr. Angelucci questioned if 501c7 organizations were found or addressed on the Division's website. Ms. McAtee responded that the following tax determinations were listed on all application forms: 501(c)3, 501(c)4, 501(c)8, 501(c)10, and 501(c)13. In addition, the website and application forms state the following information:

Volunteer fire companies, veterans organizations, religious or charitable organizations, and fraternal societies that have been in existence a minimum of two years may apply for an Instant Bingo permit, provided:

- The net profits from instant bingo games are used solely for the achievement of the purposes of the organization as described in the organization's by-laws.
- At the time of application, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) recognizes the organization as a charitable organization as described in Section 170 of the Internal Revenue Code.

# **Review of Applications for Bingo Events - none**

# Review of Applications for Raffles

Beebe Medical Foundation

Ministry of Caring Inc.

Henry Francis du Pont Winterthur Museum

Fresh Start Scholarship Fund

Delaware Crime Stoppers Inc.

St. John's R.C. Church (January 2014)

St. John's R.C. Church February 2014)

St. John's R.C. Church (March 2014)

Mr. Angelucci reviewed and summarized the Raffle applications of Beebe Medical Foundation, Ministry of Caring Inc., Henry Francis du Pont Winterthur Museum, Fresh Start Scholarship Fund, Delaware Crime Stoppers Inc., and St. John's R.C. Church (January – March 2014). After discussion, Ms. McDowell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gant, to approve the Raffle applications. The motion carried unanimously.

# Review of Requests to Amend Previously Approved Event - none

## <u>Inclement Weather/State of Emergency Requests – none</u>

## **Ratification of Charitable Gaming Event Permits Issued**

Ms. McDowell read aloud the Charitable Gaming ratification list. Mr. Winstead made a motion, seconded by Ms. Williams-Coger, to ratify the Charitable Gaming licensure of the Delaware Warriors Travel Baseball, Knight of Columbus Seton Council 7990, Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 546, Metropolitan Community Church, Delaware SPCA, Georgetown Ellendale VFW 2931, FOP Lodge 2 Millsboro, FOP Lodge 10, Rehoboth Beach Lions Club, Debra Sipple Memorial Fund, and FOP Lodge 9 Sussex County. The motion carried unanimously.

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## **Ratification of Bingo Event Permits Issued**

Ms. Williams-Coger read aloud the Bingo ratification list. Ms. McDowell made a motion, seconded by Mr. Gant, to ratify the Bingo licensure of the Georgetown Presbyterian Church, Harrington Fire Company, Bowers Fire Company, Newark Elks Lodge 2281, Frederica Senior Center, Holy Cross Church, Lewes Senior Center, Friends for Rescue and Pet Care, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, and Milford Elks Lodge 2401. The motion carried unanimously.

## Hearings/Consent Agreements - none

## **Complaint Assignments and Updates**

Complaint #22-06-13 was dismissed by the Division.

## **Inspection Reports**

Holy Family Church

Mill Creek Fire Company Ladies Aux.

Mr. Angelucci stated that Holy Family Church and the Mill Creek Fire Company Ladies Aux. were recently inspected. There was no discussion.

# Responses to Inspection Letters of Concern/Warning - none

# **CORRESPONDENCE - none**

# OTHER BUSINESS BEFORE THE BOARD (FOR DISCUSSION ONLY) - none

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mr. Mooney stated that he recently discovered the process of applying for a Raffle permit. Mr. Mooney thanked Ms. McAtee for being so kind and helpful to him. He appreciated her help in explaining everything and assisting him throughout the application process.

Mr. Womax questioned if he could re-use the \$300 application fee he already paid the Division for his application that the Board proposed to deny if he received a 501c status change from the IRS. Ms. McAtee replied that she could put a note in the system and could not think of a reason that would not be possible if he received the change within a reasonable amount of time.

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next scheduled Board meeting is September 5, 2013 at 1:00 p.m., at 861 Silver Lake Boulevard, Cannon Building Conference Room B, Dover, Delaware.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the Board, Mr. Winstead made a motion, seconded by Ms. Williams-Coger, to adjourn the meeting at 1:19 p.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amanda McAtee

Administrative Specialist II

The notes of this meeting are not intended to be a verbatim record of the topics that were presented or discussed. They are for the use of the Board members and the public in supplementing their personal notes and recall for presentations.